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H. RES. 825

Recognizing the P-3 Orion naval aircraft for 50 years of service.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. OLSON submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the
Committee on Armed Services

RESOLUTION

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service.

Whereas the P-3 Orion, a four-engine turboprop anti-submarine and maritime surveillance aircraft, has been on the front line of the Navy's land-based maritime patrol since its first flight on November 25, 1959;

Whereas the P-3 Orion was originally designed as a land-based, long-range, anti-submarine warfare patrol aircraft;

Whereas the most capable version of the Orion, the P-3C, was first delivered to the Navy in 1969;

Whereas the P-3 Orion's mission has evolved in the 21st century to include surveillance of the battle space, both at sea and over land;

Whereas the long-range capabilities of the P-3 Orion have provided instant, valuable information to ground troops in Operation Iraqi Freedom and the war on terror;

Whereas the Navy continues to implement major improvements and modernizations to the P-3 Orion to satisfy Navy and joint requirements through the early part of the 21st century; and

Whereas many countries fly the P-3 Orion—including Canada, Australia, Germany, and Spain—making it one of the most established Navy aircraft available to America’s allies: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives recog-
2 nizes the P-3 Orion, its pilots, and its manufacturers for
3 50 years of invaluable service to the Armed Forces and
4 the United States.

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